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SUBJT: AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL REPORT
REF: RABAT 6054

1. AI REPORT PUBLISHED OCTOBER 31 CONTAINS STARKER ALLEGATIONS AGAINST MOROCCAN REGIME THAN WE RECALL HAVING SEEN IN ANY OTHER RECENT PUBLIC DOCUMENT, TO WIT:

-- THAT AT USFP TRIALS IN JULY 1976 "THE REPORTS THAT A NUMBER OF DETAINEES HAD DIED AS A RESULT OF TORTURE FOLLOWING THEIR ARREST IN 1973 WERE FINALLY CONFIRMED";

-- THAT AT CASABLANCA TRIALS OF LEFTIST "FRONTISTES" IN JANUARY/FEBRUARY 1977 "THE RIGHTS OF POLITICAL PRISONERS TO DEFEND THEMSELVES, AND TO BE DEFENDED BY THEIR LAWYERS, WERE RESTRICTED IN A MANNER WHICH EXCEEDED ALL PREVIOUS DEVIATIONS...", AND PRISONERS WERE NOT PERMITTED TO DESCRIBE TORTURE THAT THEY HAD SUFFERED;

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-- THAT 300 RADICALS WERE SECRETLY DETAINED AT TIME OF JUNE 1977 ELECTIONS, AND SEVERAL HUNDRED ARE STILL BEING DETAINED IN CAMPS WHERE ISOLATION AND TORTURE HAVE BEEN USED FREQUENTLY IN THE 1970S, AND WHERE THERE ARE NO MEDICAL FACILITIES.

2. WE ARE CONCERNED THAT REPORT MAY RAISE ISSUE OF

APPLICABILITY OF LEGISLATION REQUIRING THE PRESIDENT TO FORMULATE AND CONDUCT SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS IN A MANNER WHICH DISASSOCIATES THE U.S. FROM GOVERNMENTS WHICH VIOLATE HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNDAMENTAL FREEDOMS (SECTION 502B OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT), AS WELL AS SECTION 113 OF THE FY 1978 APPROPRIATIONS ACT, WHICH PROHIBITS THE USE OF APPROPRIATED FUNDS FOR THE PURPOSE OF AIDING DIRECTLY THE EFFORTS OF GOVERNMENTS WHICH ARE CONTRARY TO THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR RECOMMENDATIONS ON OPENING A DIALOGUE WITH GOM TO HELP US TO DEAL WITH THESE ISSUES.

4. COPY OF AI REPORT HAS BEEN POUCHED, AND A SECOND COPY WILL BE HANDCARRIED BY DISDIER ON HIS RETURN. VANCE

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